

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: INTERSTATE POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY	DOCKET NOS. RPU-02-3 RPU-02-8
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**ORDER REGARDING MOTION, MODIFYING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE,
AND SCHEDULING PREHEARING CONFERENCE**

(Issued September 20, 2002)

On September 13, 2002, the Cities of Dubuque, Clinton, Grinnell, Mason City, Newton, and Washington, Iowa (Cities), filed with the Utilities Board (Board) a motion that asked for clarification of the Board's August 30, 2002, order consolidating Interstate Power and Light Company's (IPL) pending electric rate cases, Docket Nos. RPU-02-3 and RPU-02-8. While the Board consolidated the dockets, the hearing was bifurcated.

The Board's intent is to address revenue requirement issues at the hearing beginning October 22, 2002. Issues related to class cost-of-service, rate design, and rate consolidation will be addressed at the hearing beginning January 6, 2003. Because the dockets have been consolidated, testimony regarding these issues filed initially in Docket No. RPU-02-3 will not have to be refiled. However, any additional direct or rebuttal testimony on these issues may be filed pursuant to the procedural schedule issued August 30, 2002.

There are two items not covered by this order. One relates to the request for accounting order filed by IPL on September 13, 2002, and identified as Docket No. ARU-02-1. The second is the amended petition filed by the Consumer Advocate Division of the Department of Justice (Consumer Advocate) on September 7, 2002. The Board will schedule a prehearing conference for the Board's counsel and counsel for the parties to discuss procedural options on Wednesday, September 25, 2002, at 11 a.m. Parties may participate by telephone. The Board will then address in a subsequent order or orders how these issues will be addressed.

The date for filing the joint statement of issues and prehearing briefs on the revenue requirement issues is September 22, 2002. Because final testimony on the issues raised by Consumer Advocate in its July 29, 2002, petition is not due until September 27, 2002, the time for the joint statement and prehearing briefs will be extended to October 1, 2002.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. The motion filed by the Cities of Dubuque, Clinton, Grinnell, Mason City, Newton, and Washington, Iowa, on September 13, 2002, is granted to the extent discussed in this order.
2. The parties shall file a joint statement of issues on revenue requirement issues on or before October 1, 2002.
3. All parties that choose to file a prehearing brief may do so on or before October 1, 2002.

4. A prehearing conference for the Board's counsel and counsel for the parties to discuss procedural matters is scheduled for Wednesday, September 25, 2002, at 11 a.m. The conference will be held in the Hearing Room at the Board's offices at 350 Maple Street, Des Moines, Iowa. Counsel may also participate by conference call by calling the Board's bridge line, 515-323-1957. The bridge line will be open approximately ten minutes prior to the hearing.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Diane Munns

/s/ Mark O. Lambert

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Executive Secretary

/s/ Elliott Smith

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 20th day of September, 2002.